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SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

O F T H E

TOWN OF UPPER GILMANTON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

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S. C. BALDWIN, PRINTER.

1860.

AUDITORS' REPORT

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We have examined the accounts, orders and vouchers presented to us by the Selectmen and Town Treasurer, and find the following to be the result.

We find the Treasurer has paid the following sums by order of the Selectmen:

OUTSTANDING ORDERS

Paid by Alfred Prescott, Town Treasurer, since February 26, 1859 :

Francis Ayers, order and interest,	117 13
S. N. Bell, for James Bell's services on Durrell road,	42 50
L. H. Mudgett, enrolling militia,	5 00
Reuben Randlett, watering trough,	3 00
Jeduthun Farrar, lumber, labor and spikes,	2 24
N. D. Garmon, watering trough,	3 06

Orders drawn since February 26, 1859, and paid or allowed as above, for abatements of taxes:

L. H. Mudgett for 1858,	2 00
L. F. Sleeper	1 50
I. S. Sanborn	42 79
"	31 04
Charles E. Plumer	29 15
"	29 52
Jonathan W. Clough	3 21
John O. Dow	3 05
A. Prescott	1 23

PAID FOR TOWN OFFICERS :

Rufus L. Flanders for constable fees,	2 00
Charles E. Plumer	2 00
Thomas C. Moulton	2 00
John P. Clough	2 00
John C. Foster	2 00
Nathan Pickering	2 00
John C. Bean for services as selectman in town,	57 58
"	1 75
" out of town,	19 37
James M. Gilman	17 08
"	2 00
John L. Keazor	2 00
" in town,	20 75
James M. Gilman	46 00
Alvah Foss	4 00
" labor and expenses,	6 00
Alfred Prescott for services as town treasurer,	23 00
" clerk,	41 09
E. A. Rowe	39 50
S. A. Arnold	45 00
G. P. Warner	5 12
Stephen Shannon in part for services on town farm,	55 00

NEW ROADS.

Moses S. Gale, land damages,	70 50
Samuel Sanborn,	38 80
Henry M. Weeks,	70 50
John C. Bean for building new road,	97 50

PHYSICIANS' BILLS.

D. S. Prescott, for D. A. Paul for 1857,	7 07
“ M. J. Paul “	9 05
“ return of births and deaths,	15
G. Montgomery, for Smith Place,	50 00
B. Lyford, for J. L. Elgerly,	4 00
R. P. J. Tenney, for Mrs Mary Tasker, county pauper,	5 00

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Butterfield & Merriam for printing town reports for 1859,	35 00
Morrill & Silsby for stationery,	3 70
G. P. Lyon, blank books,	3 97
G. W. Nesmith for attorney fees,	15 00
H. A. Bellos “	15 00
S. L. Grceley for repairs of town hall,	13 75
D. C. Tebbetts for labor and lumber,	3 00
B. Hill for serving notice on town, Clifford case,	2 26
A. Prescott for printing notices,	2 00
“ notifying jurors,	3 50
“ postage,	2 25
J. Q. Adams, for Auditors for 1858,	6 00
H. M. Pearson's heirs, school tax,	4 12
School District No. 14,	5 92
H. P. Farrar for military duty,	2 00
Alfred Prescott for services and expenses,	40 75
“ board of Selectmen 1858,	68 45
“ “ 1859,	28 37
State tax in part,	108 82

FOR OLD ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Gorham Swain for bridge plank,	12 74
John Kimball for labor on highway for Shakers,	5 33
Ira Shannon for repairing road,	8 00
John C. Shannon for bridge plank,	2 45
J. D. Nelson, “	5 50
John Ham, “	10 98
Joseph F. Farrar, “ for 1858,	3 60
M. Stockbridge for lumber for bridge railing,	1 50
Samuel Graut for breaking roads in 1858,	2 00
Nathan Pickering “ “	2 40
Gorham Swain for labor on highway for D. Parker,	7 34

FOR POOR OFF THE TOWN FARM.

Alvah Foss for Wm. Page's family,	25 00
H. J. French for robe for I. Smith's wife,	1 46
B. Johnson for coffin for Nancy Sargent,	5 00
J. M. Smith for Betsey Young, Mary Tasker and T. C. Moulton,	11 62
I. S. Morgan for coffin for Mrs J. Clifford,	3 50
E. French for box for I. Smith's wife,	1 00
Parker & Co. for J. Clifford and family,	4 00
N. Peabody & Co. for J. L. Edgerly and family,	42 66
E. Keasor for Joseph Ladd and family,	32 56
Folsom & Boshier for robe for Mrs C. Paul,	3 50
R. D. Tibbetts for Asa Lamper,	8 50
J. Leavitt for digging grave for C. Paul,	1 00
John Tucker for wood for S. H. Stevens,	2 44
J. C. Bean for G. Dicy and family,	21 50
J. L. Keaser for B. L. Thurston,	19 00

FOR POOR ON TOWN FARM.

Stephen Shannon for pigs,	6 00
“ “ provisions,	10 00
“ “ provisions,	12 00
Charles Gilman for provisions,	41 38

FOR INTEREST ON TOWN ORDERS AS PER RECEIPTS.

Thomas Cogswell,	38 80
Joseph S. Kelley,	12 09
John Matthews,	36 00
Andrew Mack interest on order,	3 00

\$1844 44

Alfred Prescott, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Gilmanton.

Dr. To balance on settlement Feb., 1859,	2075 99
“ cash of town of Haverhill for paupers,	16 50
“ “ of State Railroad tax 1858,	108 82
“ “ of State literary money 1859,	248 64
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	\$2448 95

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By paid outstanding orders,	172 98
“ for Physician's bills,	75 27
“ for old roads and bridges,	61 84
“ for new roads,	277 30
“ for poor off of the town farm,	182 74
“ for poor on town farm,	69 63
“ for current expenses,	373 86
“ for town officers,	397 44
“ for interest on town orders,	89 89
abatement of taxes,	143 49
cash,	97
Balance in collector's notes and back taxes not collected,	604 54

\$2449 95

This balance is embraced in the following items, viz :

Notes of collectors and back taxes not collected,	
Amount due from Ira D. Gilman,	14 31
“ Edmund Keazor,	44 01
“ Isaac S. Sanborn,	33 76
“ Charles E. Plummer,	58 51
“ John P. Clough,	110 97
“ Nicholas D. Garmon,	315 00
“ John P. C'ough,	25 00
“ Benjamin B. Lamprey,	2 71

\$604 54

Amount of orders,

1844 44

\$2448 98

Amount of cash,

97

\$2449 95

Received of Alfred Prescott, town Treasurer, August 11, 1859, the above amounts.

JOHN L. KEAZOR,	} Selectmen of Upper Gilmanton.
LYMAN B. FELLOWS,	
JEDUTHUN FARRAR,	

We find the following claims against the town of Gilmanton, as it was before the division, and Gilmanton assumes the payment of the following list ;

Thomas Cogswell for money hired,	\$650 00
David Hatch for money hired,	300 00
Ira Shannon for money hired,	923 95
John O. Sleeper for money hired,	80 00
Gilmanton Academy for money hired,	100 00
Cyrus Gilman for board of Selectmen in 1855,	88 55
Isaac B. Sanborn for land for road,	50 00
Jonathan P. Hill for money hired,	400 00
Abram S. Tilton for money hired,	350 00
Lewis G. Lougee for money hired,	212 00
Titus S. Dudley for money hired,	411 91
George H. Potter for money hired,	100 00
Joseph S. Kelley for money hired,	200 00
Alvah Foss trustee for money hired,	33 00
Sally B. Plummer trustee for money hired,	295 00
E. Mallard,	5 00
“ for coffin for Mrs. C. Paul,	6 00
F. O. Sleeper for doctoring E. Do'ono's wife,	24 82
O. Goss for doctoring J. Moulton,	11 00
A. T. Edgerly B plank and timber,	10 93
C. H. Gilman B plank,	11 16
H. E. Marsh timber and labor on bridge,	3 25
H. E. Marsh potatoes for town farm,	4 00
E. Canning B plank and labor,	2 50
N. Wight doctoring wife of J. Shepard, county pauper,	8 00
“ “ John Weeks,	5 00
“ “ poor for the town,	41 67
Town of London supplies for Dixi C. Dennitt and family,	30 59
H. Sibley & Co. supplies for S. H. Stevens and wife,	27 00
E. T. Gilman as constable for 1859,	2 00
G. Montgomery doctoring poor for the town,	31 25
J. S. Tufts supplies for the town farm,	146 79
N. Pickering labor on highway,	1 30
O. A. J. Vaughan attorney fees in J. Ham's case,	200 00
J. K. Woodman B. plank,	8 80
F. M. F. I. Co's. assessment June 20, 1859,	6 83
Riel Gilman P. plank,	1 75
Joshua Lane for supplies for the Conner family,	37 74
Stephen Shannon part pay for services on town farm for 1859,	93 75
Morrill Shepard for building road,	55 88
Alfred Prescott for services as Treasurer,	50 00
John P. Clough for services as School Committee,	33 83
Adino Page for money hired. [13-20ths]	564 19
John S. Tufts disecunt and loss on liquors,	25 00
Richard Jones work for town farm,	3 20
Joseph S. Kimball B. plank,	19 70
Ira D. Gilman grain at town farm.	4 50
Stephen Shannon for use of cider mill,	1 62
Charles Varney B. plank,	5 67
Stephen Dearborn clothing for town farm,	4 50
James S. O. Donnell doctoring poor for town 1859,	10 77
H. Sibley & Co. supplies for Mrs. C. Paul,	111 00

\$5874 77

Upper Gilmanton assumes the payment of the following list of orders:

David W. Weeks for Mrs. Keniston,	10 00
" J. H. Smith,	148 59
" A. E. Edgerly,	86 77
" his expences,	15 53
" D. Paul,	13 00
Benjamin B. Lamprey as Selectman 1856,	88 00
" money hired,	100 00
Naney Norris money hired,	62 92
Lydia J. Matthews money hired,	600 00
Lydia S. Clark Land damage,	75 00
" money hired,	80 00
A. W. Brown building new road,	100 00
Samuel Hadley money hired,	200 00
" "	284 93
John L. Keasor services as Selectman 1859,	63 25
J. C. Marsh stage fare,	1 00
Stephen Shannon services on town farm,	200 00
" " 1856	106 81
" " 1858	182 00
Samuel N. Jewett for covering stone	6 00
John Chase " "	4 56
John M. Roberts " "	3 60
Nathan Chase for J. Sanborn,	10 75
Jeduthun Farrar funeral charges for Betsey Conner,	9 49
A. D. Leighton labor on highway,	28 66
J. S. Thompson funeral of Mrs Sargent,	1 00
John Kimball bridge plank,	7 88
N. D. Garmon constable for and supply for poor,	6 75
J. S. Richardson board for Mrs. I. Smith,	5 00
W. R. Gale bridge plank,	55
J. C. Burleigh covering stone,	3 78
H. W. Gilman " "	2 40
S. Currier labor and timber,	4 50
G. W. Currier constable for 1859,	2 00
J. C. Cilley labor on road and bridge,	6 50
Isaac Allen for wood J. Judkins,	1 75
Perley Farrar covering stone,	2 70
Thomas J. Cate blacksmith work for farm,	9 72
Geo. E. Spencer Dr. Mrs. J. Paul,	15 00
" part pay for doctoring 1859,	20 83
N. Peabody & Co. for J. L. Edgerly's family,	49 50
B. M. Sanborn serving notice on Meredith,	3 46
M. B. Gordon for J. Moulton,	3 50
" supply for H. Moulton,	2 05
Wm. Wilcomb " "	3 99
Alfred Prescott,	64 61

D. S. Prescott,	4 00
Treasurer of Parsonage fund,	6 17
Adino Page Upper Gilmanton Proportion	303 78
Benmore Clark potatoes for town farm	1 75
D. S. Prescott for Doctoring E. Doltono's wife.	5 16
S. L. French services as school committee 1859	36 22
John P. Clough services as school committee 1859,	21 50
Geo. E. Spencer Doctoring D. A. Paul,	2 00
H. Sibley & Co. Mrs. C. Paul,	21 00

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 Gilmanton proportion,

 5874 77

Total, \$8915 35

In the division of orders on the 7th of Dec. Gilmanton pays 122 03 of orders belonging to Upper Gilmanton, for articles purchased on town farm &c.

LIQUOR IN THE HANDS OF AGENTS.

Received of D. B. Ayers in liquor and cash to balance his account, 117 29

Received of Nicholas D. Garmon for liquor in his hands. Cash to balance his account, 105 40

 222 69

Discount and loss on D. B. Ayres' liquor, 51 24

Discount and loss on J. S. Tufts' liquor, 25 00

 76 24

\$146 45

Cash in J. W. Wells' hands, 9 00

This sum has been divided. 137 45

John W. Wells, Treasurer, in account with the towns of Upper Gilmanton and Gilmanton.

Dr., August 11, 1859.

To balance on settlement with Treasurer of Gilmanton, \$604 54

Cash of A. Prescott, 97

“ D. B. Ayers, 9 00

 \$614 51

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By paid L. B. Fellows per receipt, 28 00

“ Town of Gilmanton, 41 20

“ Town of Upper Gilmanton, 22 17

“ N. D. Garmon Militia bill. 34 00

abatement of taxes, 127 13

Balance in collector's notes and back taxes and cash, 362 01

 \$614 51

JOHN W. WELLS, *Treasurer.*

JOHN L. KEAZOR, }
 LYMAN B. FELLOWS, } Selectmen
 JEDUTHUN FARRAR, } of
 } Upper Gilmanton.

This balance is embraced in the following items, viz :

Ira D. Gilman,	\$14 31
Edmund Keazor,	8 65
Isaac S. Sanborn,	33 76
Charles E. Plummer,	24 85
John P. Clough, 1859,	40 55
N. D. Garmon, 1857,	24 87
“ 1858,	202 42
Cash on hand,	12 60
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	\$362 01

The following abatements of taxes have been made since the division of the town :

Charles E. Plummer, 1858,	9 62
Edmund Keazor, 1856,	31 48
J. P. Clough, 1858,	17 30
“ 1857,	14 75
N. D. Garmon, 1858,	4 61
“ 1857,	14 13
“ 1858,	35 24
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	\$127 13

We find the whole indebtedness of the towns, including all the claims on which the foregoing orders have been issued, to be \$8915 35

Undivided available means in the hands of the town :

Due from collectors,	\$349 41
“ Ham and Davis,	266 00
“ Town of Meredith for the support of D. A. Paul and others,	590 67
Cash in the hands of Treasurer,	12 60
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Leaving the indebtedness of the towns,	\$7696 67

In the above statements, the amount of taxes assessed for the year 1859, is not taken into the account.

MARCH 1, 1860.—The undersigned have carefully examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOSEPH BADGER, }
JOHN C. FOSTER, } Auditors.

The following orders are not reckoned in the above :

John L. Keazor for services as selectman for the old town since the division,	\$21 69
Lyman B. Fellows, “ “ “ “	16 00
Jeduthun Farrar, “ “ “ “	19 81
John W. Wells, Treasurer for the old town since the division,	10 00

Report of Upper Gilmanton since the division.

PAID FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Wm. R. Gale bridge plank,	55
Samuel N. Jewett covering stone,	6 00
Perley Farrar covering stone,	2 70
James C. Cilley labor on road,	6 50
Samuel Currier labor and timber for bridge,	4 50
H. W. Gilman covering stone,	2 40
James C. Burley covering stone,	3 78
John Kimball plank,	21 31
A. D. Leighton labor on high way,	29 03
John M. Roberts covering stone,	3 60
John Chase "	4 56
Perley Farrar "	2 40
Stephen S. Fifield "	2 88
James C. Burley building culvert and covering stone,	16 64
Nathan Chase putting in culvert,	7 00
Joseph F. Farrar bridge plank,	2 70
" watering trough,	3 00
Weymouth Bean "	3 00
Reuben Randlett "	3 00
Lyman B. Fellows labor on road,	20 25
James F. Kimball hauling plank,	1 00
George W. Plummer labor railing bridge,	2 50
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	149 30

PAID CURRENT EXPENCES.

Paid Rufus S. Farrar services running town line,	3 00
John W. Wells running town line and making return,	7 00
Lyman B. Fellows expences running town line for board of Selectmen,	3 25
Thomas J. Cate blacksmith work	9 57
Benjamin M. Sanborn serving notice on the town of Mere- dith respecting C. Paul,	3 46
Horace Chapman services as collector 1859,	23 32
Isaiah Piper services as committee notifying town meeting and expences,	6 50
John L. Keasor for same,	3 50
A. G. Jones, Printing town orders,	2 00
Thomas J. Whipple counsel fees before committee,	15 00
O. A. J. Vaughan services rendered with committee to make writings,	3 37
James P. Tilton services rendered in dividing town property as committee,	19 00
Ira Mooney use of hall, moving records and selectmen's expences,	29 43
County tax 1859,	387 30
State tax in part,	115 00

Paid several school districts,	704 55
Wm. N. Blair for Teacher's Institute,	9 95
Paid interest on four town orders,	4 05
Paid interest on two orders of B. B. Lamprey,	19 30
Daniel E. Bachelder for money hired,	306 05
Adino Page one proportion of old orders,	303 78

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PAID FOR POOR IN TOWN.

Paid H. Sibley & Co. for Mrs. Catherine Paul,	21 00
Benmore Clark for potatoes for town farm,	1 75
N. D. Garmon for supplies for poor,	6 57
Israel Thompson for funeral expences Mrs. Sargent,	1 00
Jeduthun Farrar for funeral charges Mrs. Conner,	9 49
I. C. Marsh for stage fare for pauper,	1 00
L. B. Fellows for articles furnished M. Thayer for poor,	7 16
Martin Thayer " poor,	44 58
Pitman & Tilton for Conner family,	4 57
Joshua Lane for Conner family	8 10
Ira Blaisdell for S. H. Stevens for wood	2 00
R. L. Farrar for Conner family for wood,	6 00
H. Sibley & Cc. for E. Huso county pauper,	24 00
Town of Gilmanton for board and clothing paupers,	21 65
Stacy Brown for wood for A. Russell,	3 00
A. L. Bean for horse hire for Mrs. Emery,	77
James Pike & Co. for meat for Mrs. Emery,	7 96
A. L. Morrison for house rent for Mrs. Emery,	4 00
R. K. Parker for supplies for Mrs. Emery,	26 30
E. French for digging grave and making box for Mrs. Emery,	2 00
E. Mallard for coffin and robe for Mrs. Emery,	6 63
H. J. French for supplies for J. E. Dalton's wife,	7 00
J. C. Foster for wood for M. Thayer,	12 00
J. Pike & Co. for pork 311 1-2 lbs for M. Thayer,	26 43
L. K. Clough for flour for M. Thayer,	7 25
J. S. Richardson for nursing Mrs. K. Smith,	5 00
Nathan Chase for board of Jewett Sanborn,	10 75
John Tucker for wood for S. H. Stevens,	1 60
Charles H. Rowe " "	2 75
J. L. Keasor for wood for Mrs. Emery,	1 00

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Paid for poor in other towns chargeable to this :

William Wilcomb for Henry Moulton,	3 99
M. B. Gordon " "	5 55
N. Peabody & Co. for J. L. Edgerly's family.	83 40
L. B. Fellows " "	4 85
Moore & Ferson " "	11 52
W. Wilcomb " J. Moulton,	4 05
M. B. Gordon " "	2 00

115 36

PAID FOR PHYSICIANS' BILLS.

George E. Spencer as per contract,	20 83
" for Mrs. Catherine Paul	15 00
D. S. Prescott for Mrs. Emery,	20 55
" J. E. Dalton's wife,	11 70
George E. Spencer for Dorcas A. Paul,	2 00
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PAID TOWN OFFICERS.

S. Lowell French for services as superintending school committee	
in two parishes before the division,	36 22
John P. Clough for services in first collection district,	12 50
G. W. Currier for constable fees,	2 00
John L. Keasor for services as Selectman before the divison,	64 77
John L. Keasor for Upper Gillmanton,	46 75
John W. Wells for services as town treasurer,	15 00
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	177 24

We find that the proportion of the public property belonging to the town of Upper Gilmanton which has been disposed of to be as follows :

Sold to town of Gilmanton town farm for,	850 00
interest on the same,	2 00
" Stock and tools,	111 26
" Produce,	51 42
" To J. Farrar old wagon and tools,	5 24
" To L. B. Fellows sled and vegetables,	9 50
" To Gammon and Bean hay not all delivered estimated at,	80 00
" Daniel Swett two cows,	45 00
" B. S. Russell steers,	75 00
" Butter, tallow and produce delivered to Martin Thayer,	11 87
" Corn delivered J. Conner,	1 00
Butter and cider on hand estimated at,	14 40
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	\$1256 69

We also find that the following sums have been paid out for the support of the poor that were taken care of by Martin Thayer.

To Martin Thayer for supplies furnished,	44	58
N. D. Garmon " "	31	51
James Pike & Co. for beef "	2	75
" one hog "	26	48
J. C. Foster for wood "	12	60
L. K. Clough for flour "	7	25
L. B. Fellows for " "	17	16
Daniel Swett for wood estimated at,	15	00
Produce from town farm,	11	87
Total	168	60

REMAINING ON HAND MARCH 1, 1860.

Pork and beef, estimated at 100 lbs.	10 00
100 lbs. flour, " "	3 00
Wood " " 3 cords,	9 00
	22 50

Amona! brought over,	146 10
21 lbs pork delivered to J. Ladd from the above,	2 62

Making the whole expence at said Thayers,	\$143 48
John W. Wells, Treasurer in account with the town of Upper Gil-	
manton.	

Dr. To amount of taxes assessed in 1859,	2331 06
Note of D. Swett and M. Thayer,	45 00
Cash from sale of steers B. Russell,	75 00
Cash hired of D. E. Bachelder,	300 00
Cash of the town of Gilmanton,	29 77
Balance of \$63 37 received of J. P. Clough after dividing the	
same with Gilmanton.	22 17
Cash of town,	21 65
Cash from sale of town farm,	852 00
Cash received of J. Farrar,	5 24
Cash received of L. B. Fellows,	9 50
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By paid for Physician's bills,	70 08
" roads and bridges,	149 30
" poor in town,	293 36
" " in other towns chargeable to this,	115 36
" current expences,	1978 38
" town officers,	177 24
Balance in note, back taxes not collected and cash,	907 67
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	\$3691 39

This balance is embraced in the following items, viz :

Due from Horace Chapman collector of 1859,	842 06
Due on note of D. Sweatt and M. Thayer,	30 00
Cash on hand,	35 61

JOHN W. WELLS, Treasurer.

JOHN L. KEAZOR,	} Selectmen
LYMAN B. FELLOWS,	
JEDUTHUN FARRAR,	
	} of
	} Upper Gilmanton.

MARCH 1, 1860 The undersigned have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and a balance due the town, of the sum of nine hundred seven dollars and sixty seven cents.

NATHANIEL B. ROWE,	} Auditors.
JOSEPH BADGER,	
JOHN C. FOSTER,	

FUNDS OF THE TOWN.

Literary funds,	87 10
Parsonage fund,	632 53
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	719 63

We find the town indebted to the funds as follows :

Literary fund,	87 10
Parsonage fund,	407 56
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	494 66

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NATHANIEL B. ROWE,	} Auditors.
JOSEPH BADGER,	
JOHN C. FOSTER,	

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN MARCH 1, 1860.

We find the town indebted for outstanding orders as follows;

John E. Page for services as committee,	3 75
“ for copy from Secretary of State,	5 00
Edmund Keasor for wood for Joseph Ladd,	11 86
George E. Spencer for balance due as per contract,	29 17
N. D. Garmon for supplies for poor,	31 51
“ board of selectmen,	66 00
“ books and stationary,	9 05
“ services as town clerk,	7 88
L. B. Fellows services as selectman,	45 00
Jeduthun Farrar “	41 00
“ for board of selectmen while running town line,	2 84
S. L. French for services as superintending school committee,	23 00
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	\$276 06

There was due March 1, 1860, on the orders assumed by Upper	
Gilmanton to pay the sum of,	2380 46
New orders outstanding,	276 06
Interest on the above orders estimated,	150 00

\$2806 52

The undivided proportion of claims due the town of Upper Gilmanton are embraced in the following items:

Town of Meredith for D. A. Paul and others,	206 74
J. B. Ham and J. Davis,	93 10
Due from old collectors,	122 29
Cash in hands of treasurers; old funds 4 41 : new funds 35 61 : 40 02	
due on note,	30 00
due from H. Chapman collector,	842 06

\$1334 21

Leaving indebtedness of town over means, 1472 31

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The Committee of the Town of Upper Gilmanton, in compliance with the law of the State, respectfully present the following Report, for the year ending March, 1860:

DISTRICT No. 13.

Summer Term, Miss Juliett E. Robinson, Teacher. The general features of this school were commendable. Good improvement was made by that part of the scholars who were well disposed, and applied themselves to their studies, but the discipline of the school was not such as to secure the requisite amount of progress to the dilatory and inattentive.

Winter Term, Moses E. Stevens, Teacher. During the visits of the Committee there was stillness, order, and attention highly gratifying. A fair progress was made by all the classes. The teacher aimed at thoroughness in study, and a strict discipline, but perhaps a little more energy would have increased his usefulness. It is a little presumptive for a teacher to commence a school without a certificate.

DISTRICT No. 14.

Summer Term, Miss Nellie M. Leighton, Teacher. There were but few scholars in this school, and all were under the age of twelve years. Considering the length of the school, and the age of the scholars, good improvement was made. This was of course an orderly school.

Winter Term, Miss Mary D. Leighton, Teacher. The appearance of the school was such as to indicate that a fair improvement had been made by the scholars, though their advantages are not as great as other districts. But it is hoped that the interest manifested by the parents for their school, will in some degree make up for what they lack in pecuniary ability. The town should adopt some measures, if possible, to strengthen this school.

DISTRICT No. 15.

Summer Term, Miss Sarah O. Parshley, Teacher. The discipline of this school was not sufficiently strict; there was far too much idleness and confusion; consequently but little improvement was made. The teacher doubtless had good intentions but was unable to overcome the difficulties with which she had to contend in this school. Some improvement was made by that portion of the school, who were well disposed, and applied themselves to their studies. This school is not in a condition where it is safe, to employ young and inexperienced teachers.

Winter Term, Thomas E. Hunt, Teacher. The Prudential Committee wisely determined to employ a teacher who was perfectly able to meet the wants of this school. But I had serious doubts at my first visit whether order could be secured from so much discord, and urged the necessity of holding the reins of government with a firm hand. As the school closed prematurely, from fear of the scarlet fever, I did not visit it at its close, but from what I am able to learn, the condition of the school was very much improved.

DISTRICT No. 17.

Summer and Winter Term, both taught by Miss Ellenora Green. The teacher commenced her school with some misgivings as to her ability to maintain authority, and carry out the wishes of the district. Yet in these her first efforts, she proved herself competent to meet the wants of this school. The teacher was strict in discipline and thorough in instruction. The scholars industrious, and prompt in recitation, both working together, the school made good improvement and ranks among the best in town.

DISTRICT No. 18.

First and second terms, taught by Miss Narcissa S. Kimball. Having taught in this district during the previous year and given good satisfaction, the district were wise in again securing the services of Miss Kimball. She fully sustained her former reputation as an instructress, and labored zealously to promote the best interests of her pupils, and the result was excellent improvement by all the classes.

DISTRICT No. 19.

Summer Term, Miss Josephine T. Lamprey, Teacher. This first effort of the teacher has proved highly acceptable. The order, improvement, and average attendance reflected honor upon the parents, teacher, and scholars. The progress of the scholars was such, as to merit the approbation of all the citizens of the district.

Winter Term, Miss Amanda A. Hadley, Teacher. Your committee did not visit this school at its close as the teacher was obliged, by the ill health of her father, to leave sooner than was anticipated, but from what we can learn, I think it was a well managed and profitable school.

DISTRICT No. 21.

Summer Term, Miss Flora A. Rowe, Teacher. The committee have no praise or censure to bestow upon this school, not being notified of its close through the neglect of those whose duty it was to give the information. It is hoped the school was a profitable one.

Winter Term, Joseph Plummer, Teacher. The committee acted judiciously in securing the services, of one so well qualified for his station. This school was one of excellent character and much improvement was made. When a district with but little money, are so fortunate as to have a good teacher, they should if possible make the school at least three months long. If a school has been in session eight weeks, four weeks added are worth as much as the first eight.

DISTRICT No. 22.

Summer Term, Miss Emma D. Bean, Teacher. Though this was the teacher's first school, yet the order and progress of the school were commendable.— And I am happy to state that visitors, parents, and scholars have expressed their decided approbation of it.

Winter Term, O. S. Sanborn, Teacher. Mr Sanborn has truly manifested the spirit and energy of a scholar. When he first applied for a certificate, the committee thought him not fully prepared to teach. But instead of being out of humor and discouraged, he entered zealously upon the work of preparation, passed a good examination, and has more than answered expectation in his first attempt in ruling and moulding the youthful mind. Order good. Improvement satisfactory we think to all concerned.

DISTRICT No. 23.

One Term, Miss Narcissa S. Kimball, Teacher. Most of the scholars in this school were large and attentive to study, consequently they made considerable progress and were quite thorough. The school houses in this district and in No. 18, are in no way fit to accommodate the scholars, being low posted, ill constructed, naturally ventilated specimens of ancient school architecture. We would therefore earnestly recommend that the two districts unite, and build a house in a central position, which will be creditable to the district and an honor to the town.

DISTRICT No. 25.

Summer Term, Miss Martha O. Plummer, Teacher. The general features of the school were deserving of credit. The teacher seemed to be anxious to make her school one of the first order. The scholars made fair improvement and their deportment was good. The teacher remarks, "The scholars were mostly studious and well disposed. Nine did not whisper for the term." If more time had been devoted to mental arithmetic, more would have been accomplished.

Winter Term, Miss Louisa A. Eaton, Teacher. The appearance of this school when last examined was such as to satisfy your committee that its reputation as a good school was not undeserved. An unfortunate embarrassment, on the part of the older scholars, hindered them from exhibiting themselves favorably. But the younger scholars, being more unreserved appeared much the best, and manifested an interest in their studies that would have been creditable to scholars of a more advanced age, and exhibiting a degree of thoroughness, exceeding that of any other school in town.

DISTRICT No. 29.

The Summer and Winter Terms, both taught by Miss Lourette M. Lamprey. We consider it a judicious course to employ the same teacher for several terms, when one has been found who possesses the necessary qualifications. Much improvement was made during the year. At the close of the Winter term the examination, though rigid, indicated that the instruction had been faithful and profitable. The larger scholars deserve commendation for their gentlemanly deportment, and obedience to the regulations of the school. If the parents in this district were obliged to exchange places with their children for one week we think they would vote for some repairs.

DISTRICT No. 30.

Summer Term, Miss Flora E. Forrest, Teacher. The committee of the district was fortunate in procuring the services of Miss Forrest, for the second time.— Her method of discipline was of the strictest form, and instruction thorough and practical. Good progress was made by all who were constant in their atten-

dance; but the frequent absence of many prevented them from making great advancement. It is unjust to expect a teacher to instruct children, when those children are not sent to school. "Why will so many lightly esteem the best opportunities, to unfold and strengthen their mind, garner up those rich stores of knowledge, which in the future cannot fail to be sources of happiness, honor and power?"

Winter Term, Mr S. Lowell French, Teacher. Examined and reported, by J. W. Wells. From the interest manifested in the school at its commencement, we were led to expect good improvement during the term, and our expectation in this direction was fully realized, so far as our examination extended at its close. Our time being limited, we were unable to go into so thorough and extensive an examination of all classes as was desirable. Our attention was particularly directed to the advancement made by several classes of smaller scholars; their improvement in reading, accuracy in spelling, and promptness in answering questions in Mental Arithmetic, showed conclusively that the interests of this portion of the school had been well cared for; and so far as we pursued the examination of the classes of larger scholars, there proficiency was equally as good. Instruction in this school was thorough and systematic. As a teacher Mr French, is energetic, and devoted to the interests of his pupils, firm in discipline, and thorough in instruction, ranking deservedly among our best teachers. We would congratulate the pupils in this district in the prospect of the removal of the old school house during the present year, and having in its place a new and commodious structure, where they can enjoy the blessings of a good school, without endangering life or health.

From the foregoing careful statement of the condition of the several public schools in town, it is evident that they are, as a whole, entitled to the confidence of the community. Their expense is small compared with the amount of good they effect, and the time, and labor bestowed upon them. Yet they will never become what they should be without the more hearty cooperation of parents. Their influence lies at the very foundation of the whole system of improvement. We would suggest therefore that parents fully consider the importance of a good education for their children, that they ever keep in mind the fact, that their success in life, their position in society, and their future usefulness depend upon the correct cultivation of their minds. Parents do not feel, as they should the necessity of punctuality, and regularity, on the part of their children. They do not reflect how much they do towards retarding the progress of the whole school, or realize the evil they do their own children by thus inculcating habits of disorder, idleness, and negligence. The teacher's office at the present day is no sinecure. It is a peculiar feature of our system of education that its methods, studies and means, must improve with the progress of the general mind, and keep pace with the improvements of the age. Therefore, from year to year we must have more thorough, and better qualified teachers; who have specially qualified themselves for their work, and fully appreciate the importance of the most thorough and correct instruction in elementary principles. We believe the remark a true one; that, "An individual may glory in college honors, and yet be wholly incompetent to take charge of a common school." It is not enough that a teacher was qualified to teach last year. The system of teaching is progressive and the successful teacher must keep himself informed of the improvements that are constantly being introduced. They must be advancing in knowledge or they will not long be acceptable as teachers.

Your committee would recommend that particular care and caution be exercised by Prudential Committees in the selection of teachers. "The Prudential Committee often engages a teacher without any knowledge of his reputation or character and sends him to the Superintending Committee for a certificate.—The examination is regarded as a mere form to be submitted to as something which the law requires in order to obtain a certificate. So unimportant is the examination considered, that teachers sometimes" begin their school without a Four teachers the past year thus began their schools. (I had to examine them after they had commenced.) "Of course I had then to give them certificate or make trouble," though in two cases at least I was satisfied the certificates ought

not to be given. But it requires a good deal of firmness to refuse a certificate when the candidate has already commenced his school. It is understood that the Superintending Committee has nothing to do but approbate those whom the Prudential Committees employ, and if they refuse to do it are very likely to gain the ill will of the Prudential Committee, the teacher, and all the teacher's friends. Let your Prudential Committee therefore be men who will exercise judgment in the selection of teachers, who will perform their duties promptly, fearlessly and impartially, "having no respect of persons" and having "an eye single" to the means which are productive of the greatest good.

In conclusion your committee would beg leave to call your attention to the following Table, prepared from the teacher's reports, and containing an abstract of the items included in the report to the Secretary of State, the value of which must depend primarily on the care and fidelity of teachers. Some reports appear to have been made with attention but too many contain errors that we have not the means to correct. The report and table, with all their imperfections, are respectfully submitted to the favor and criticism of the public.

S. LOWELL FRENCH, Superintending School Committee.

ABSTRACT OF REPORT FROM TEACHERS.

No. OF DISTRICT.	No. OF TERM.	TEACHERS.	Am't of school money.	Wages of teachers per month, including board.	Whole No. of scholars.	Average attendance.	Instances of tardiness.	Visits by Prud. Com.	Visits by citizens&oth's	Length of schools in weeks.
13	1	Juliette E. Robinson.	\$61 66	\$12 00	23 20	54	0	13	9	
	2	Moses E. Stevens.		20 40	23 19	10	1	6	8½	
14	1	Nellie M. Leighton.	34 48	8 00	6 6	5	1	10	7	
	2	Mary D. Leighton.		8 00	5 4	16	0	6	9	
15	1	Sarah O. Parshley.	59 48	12 00	26 21	57	0	6	8	
	2	Thomas E. Hunt.		21 00	36 30	27	0	12	6	
17	1	Ellenora Green.	73 11	10 80	20 17	21	0	13	8	
	2	" "		13 30	23 17		1	10	11	
18	1	Narcissa S. Kimball.	50 34	12 00	15 9	36	0	4	8	
	2	" " "		12 00	14 12	27	0	13	8	
19	1	Josephine T. Lamprey.	58 53	11 60	14 13	8	0	10	8	
	2	Amanda A. Hadley.		14 00	16 15	22	0	3	7	
21	1	Flora A. Rowe.	53 17	9 48	9 7	3	1	19	6	
	2	Joseph Plummer.		16 00	14 12	4	1	2	8	
22	1	Emma D. Bean.	57 88	\$5 00	20 17	63	0	4	10	
	2	Otis S. Sanborn.		12 00	22 19	95	0	16	12	
23	1	Narcissa S. Kimball.	34 84	14 00	12 9	5	0	12	10½	
25	1	Martha O. Plummer.	48 95	10 00	24 21	22	0	13	8	
	2	Louisa A. Eaton,		13 00	21 17	56	0	18	12	
29	1	Louretta M. Lamprey.	62 17	12 00	19 16	63	0	14	6	
	2	" " "		15 33	27 24	150	0	21	10	
30	1	Flora E. Forrest.	102 34	13 20	34 27	51	0	11	10	
	2	S. Lowell French.		25 00	52 44	14	0	30	9½	

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